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Statistics

Records in the Department show that there are currently 6,498 persons holding an active private security permit. There are 3,976 expired permits that were held by people at one time or other and who have never renewed their permit. Check your permit. It should have an expiration date of August 31, 2000. If it doesn't, you do not have a current permit and should not be working as a private security person.

Legislative Update

Biennial Budget Bill – 1999 AB 133/SB 45

The Biennial Budget Bill proposes some fee changes that will affect persons seeking an original permit and persons who will be

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Marlene A. Cummings, Secretary June Suhling, Deputy Secretary Myra Shelton, Executive Assistant renewing their permit in August, 2000. The proposed original permit fee will increase from \$41 to \$47. This fee is the same for all licenses. and permits issued by the Department and its boards.

The proposed permit renewal fee will increase from \$41 to \$49. Renewal fees in the Department vary, depending on the cost of investigations and disciplinary actions and depending on the number of people holding a certain type of license or permit.

Other Legislative Proposals

A bill draft is now being prepared that would change the current 30-day temporary permit to a 90-day temporary permit. We'll let you know how this bill progresses during this legislative session.

Reminders

- 1. A person may not practice as a private security person until he or she has a permit.
- 2. The Department must be notified when a private security person leaves the employment of a private detective agency or becomes employed by a different private detective agency.

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- 3. People who hold a permit as a private security person may only carry a firearm while on duty if they receive a firearms permit from the Department.
- 4. Private security persons may not carry a concealed weapon unless they are a police officer or similarly-qualified person.
- 5. Ushers not holding a private security permit may not have "security" on their uniform.
- 6. Private security personnel must wear a uniform while on duty, except that a private detective may provide private security in plain clothes.
- 7. Private security personnel must wear an ID or name tag that's clearly visible to the public.

Disciplinary Actions

JAMES J. BRANDIES

FRANKSVILLE WI REPRIMAND&COSTS Failed to notify the Department that he was convicted on 12/12/97 of 3 Class A misdemeanors involving a child. Brandies had been issued a permit by a law enforcement agency and was issued a state permit based on that fact. Effective 9/2/98. Sec. 440.26(6), Stats. Case #LS9809021RSG

ANGELA A. DUPKE

MERRILL WI REVOKED Failed to timely comply with terms of her limited private security permit to act as a private security person. Effective 4/9/99.

LESTER A. HOFFMAN aka LESTER CROSS

PITTSBURGH PA REVOKED&COSTS Represented on his application for a permit that he had never been convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony, or of driving while intoxicated. Subsequent to the issuance of the permit it was established that he had a history of criminal convictions, including a felony conviction. Effective 3/5/98. Sec. 440.26(6)(a)3., Stats. Case #LS9712101RSG

LA CROSSE WI REVOKED Failed to comply with terms of his limited private security permit to act as a private security person. Effective 4/9/99.

DONALD E. MANKOVITCH

RED GRANITE WI APPLICATION DENIED Application for a private security permit denied. He has a criminal record, including a felony conviction, which he did not represent on his application. Effective 10/28/98. Case #LS9810281RSG

LEON MARVIN

BRODHEAD WI SURRENDER Subsequent to the issuance of a permit a report from the FBI revealed that he had an extensive history of criminal convictions, including a felony. Effective 6/17/98.

CHRISTINA E. ROOD

APPLETON WI REVOKED Failed to timely comply with terms of her limited private security permit to act as a private security person. Effective 5/1/98.

ERNEST G. SMITH, JR

MILWAUKEE WI APPLICATION DENIED Application denied based on providing false information regarding his criminal conviction record. Effective 8/26/98

FRANK P. SORANO

GREENDALE WI REPRIMAND&COSTS In his application for a private security permit he indicated that he had not been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony, or of driving while intoxicated. Subsequent to the issuance of the permit the department was notified that he had been found guilty of a crime and was convicted of forgery on 7/3/64. Effective 2/16/99. Sec. 440.26(6)(a)3., Stats. Case #LS9902161RSG

GLEN A STEVENS

WINNECONNE WI REVOKED Failed to comply with terms of his limited private security permit to act as a private security person. Effective 8/5/98.

JAMES EDWARD TURNER
MADISON WI REPRIMAND&COSTS

In his application for a private security permit he indicated that he had not been convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony, or of driving while intoxicated. Subsequent to the issuance of the permit the department received a report from the FBI which revealed he was found guilty of misdemeanor battery on 8/7/95. Effective 3/2/99. Sec. 440.26(6), Stats. Case #LS9903021RSG

AUNDRA WALTON

MILWAUKEE WI REVOKED Failed to comply with terms of his limited private security permit to act as a private security person. Effective 7/17/98.

LYLA M. WILSON

MILWAUKEE WI REVOKED Failed to comply with terms of her limited private security permit to act as a private security person. Effective 7/17/98.

TANIA A. ZORNOW

APPLETON WI REVOKED Failed to comply with terms of her limited private security permit to act as a private security person. Effective 5/6/98.

Classifications of Private Security Personnel

A member of the Private Security Advisory Committee recently proposed that there should be 3 levels of private security persons: a minimum qualification level, a mid-range level with higher educational requirements and a top level which includes firearms training, DAT training and training on other dangerous weapons carried by the private security person when on duty. Several arguments against the 3level approach were that the level of training and qualifications of private security personnel for a certain job should be determined in the contractual agreement between the client and the agency. A second argument against the 3level approach is that it would create more work for the Department, especially enforcing the law, so that people in one level will not perform work above their level.

Please note that this is only a discussion item and that there will be more discussion. It is far from becoming a reality and, perhaps, never will.

Conditional Permits

The Department has recently made changes in the permit granting process, whereby applicants for a private security permit will either be required to wait until the Department has received a criminal records report from the FBI (this can take several months) or the applicant signs a stipulation for issuance of a conditional permit. The permit will be conditioned upon successful completion of an FBI background check. Upon receipt of an adverse background report, the Department will be able to, without further notice or pleading, appearance or consent of the parties, issue an Order canceling the conditional permit. The conditional permit will be marked "Conditional." Also, under the terms of the conditional permit, the permit holder may not carry a dangerous weapon while acting as a private security person unless and until the Department orders otherwise. "condition" may be removed and a new certificate mailed to the private security person after the Department receives an FBI report, showing that the person was not convicted of a felony or other crimes that are substantially related to the practice of a private security The term "substantially related" person. includes criteria, such as how many convictions are on record, how long ago the crime or crimes occurred, the nature of the crime or crimes, and evidence of rehabilitation.

The Department has denied many applications due to a conviction record and many applicants have not been truthful in answering questions about convictions on the application form.

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Copies of Regulatory Digest on the Web See the Web site listed above.

Wisconsin Statutes and Code

Copies of the Private Detective and Private Security Personnel Statutes and Administrative Code can be ordered through the Board Office. Include your name, address, county and a check payable to the <u>Department of Regulation and Licensing</u> in the amount of \$5.28. The latest edition is dated April, 1998.

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WIS. STATS. S. 440.11 ALLOWS FOR A \$50 PENALTY TO BE IMPOSED WHEN CHANGES ARE NOT REPORTED WITHIN 30 DAYS.